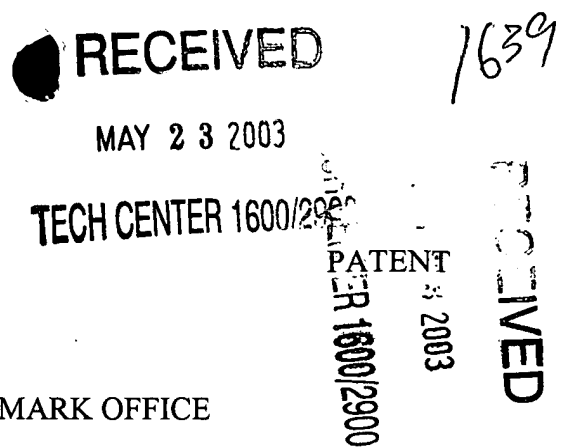




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In re: Haystead et al. Confirmation No.: 2591  
Appl No.: 10/022,931 Group Art Unit: 1639  
Filed: December 18, 2001 Examiner: Teresa D. Wessendorf  
For: INTEGRATED PROTEIN AFFINITY CAPTURE CENTRIFUGATION DEVICE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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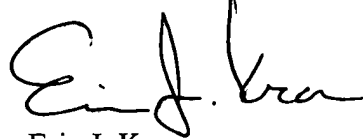
This is in response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2003, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group I, namely Claims 1-38, drawn to a method for screening a proteome; and Group II, namely Claims 39-69, drawn to an apparatus. Further the Examiner has required that if Group I is chosen, an election for prosecution of one of the species of Claim 9 must be made. The species identified by the Examiner are (1) NADH, (2) AMP, (3) ADP, or (4) ATP. Applicant hereby provisionally elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group II (Claims 39-69) as drawn to an apparatus, and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this

paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,

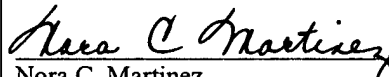


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